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"To this shrift of the American people, I, as a Belgian, speak to the mortal remains of the man who, more than any other, gave the American ideal life and form, we come today, bearing our humanistic gifts, as a brother of the great republic. You, yourself, in your speech, have acceded to our request that this Independence Day be designated as a festivity of loyalty on the part of our descendants in the mean waters had been brigaded with British and Allied forces. A majority of the destroyers from the British and French command, and sub-mine chasers were in the Adriatic. One hundred and forty-two years ago today, a group of men animated with the same spirit as that of the man who lies here, founded the United States of America on the theory of the government with the consent of the governed. That was the beginning of America. As the years went on, as one century blended with another, men and women, as never before, by the might of their numbers, have called into existence the most ends of the earth. We have called them alien, but they were never alien. Though they spoke not a word of the language of the countries where they groped only toward illumination, they were already Americans in soul or they would never have come.

"We are the latest manifestation of that American soul. And scarcely has the spirit of the United States, the structure of this dear country of our adoption when we found the spirit of Washington, now blazoning up to the guiding light of twenty generations, assumed as never before by the collective forces of man. As aforesaid, in its most murderous kind, had gathered itself for its final struggle. With the soul of Washington leading on, America entered the battle line, and we, in a spirit of sombre gladness, entered with the

AMERICANS ALL.

"We who make this pilgrimage are the offspring of thirty-three different nations—and Americans all. We come not alone. Behind us are the men of the world, who, by the day in pledging themselves to the cause of this country and of the free nations with which she is joined. In my own city, 800,000 foreign-born men and women are at this moment serving their native land, and renewing their vows of loyalty.

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MESSAGE FROM FRANCE.

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UNCOVER WHOLESALE GUN-RUNNING PLOT.

ONE AMERICAN ARRESTED, OTHERS TO FOLLOW IN BORDER CONSPIRACY.

EL PASO, July 4.—Federal officers continued today on what they declare is a wholesale ammunition smuggling plot to supply Mexican Federal troops in Northern Mexico with rifles and ammunition from the United States. Jesse Mayer, manager of a department in a large store here, was arrested last night charged with conspiracy to smuggle ammunition to Juarez. Two Mexicans, to whom delivery of 1700 rounds of Mexican made ammunition was made to him, were arrested. The Mexicans also recaptured Italian soldiers. The Italians said they had been forced to work on the Austrian lines under the fire of the Italian guns.

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Fourth of July Schwab Answers Call for Bridge of Ships.

To Get Kaiser.
EIGHTEEN IN BAY'S WATERS.

Water Builder Sees Twelve Vessels in Own Yards.

More Elsewhere on Same Day Near San Francisco.

Image of 89,900 Slides on "American Clyde" Ways.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 4.—

Marie M. Schwab, director-general

of the Emergency Fleet Corporation,

launched a big vessel for every

man with respect to an Eng-

lish Ambassador.

Lord Derby, representing

the British Government, at the

ceremony.

Lord Derby, in commenting

on the launching, said:

"We celebrate, but we don't

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said Lord Derby, in commenting on his appearance. "I should be sorry to be seen in public again."

Judge Walter Berry, who was at the luncheon, referred to America's determination to carry the war to a successful termination, claiming neither annexation nor neutrality.

His reference to the launching of 60,000 tons of shipping in America today was received with up-
cheering.

"We celebrate, but we don't know what we are celebrating," he said. "When he mentioned the name of Major Judd, the general was such that the marshal had to rise and bow repeatedly."

After Judge Berry had read a letter from Gen. Pershing expressing his desire to have the military attaché attend from the present, Gen. Tasker, he brought a message from the American Army.

Ambassador Sharp thanked the Emergency Fleet Corporation for the great demonstration in honor of Independence Day, and continued:

"Lord Derby, representing England, has broken an unwritten rule of the Emergency Fleet Corporation with respect to an English Ambassador attending the celebration of our independence. I congratulate him. I congratulate the men in keeping with the British spirit of fairness. We know now why England is so great. I welcome Lord Derby."

The audience broke into loud cheering and shouting at a speech Lord Derby demurred at first, but the cheers would not down. Finally he said:

"I had always thought that America meant fair play, but it is hard to call on me for such a statement. We have paid him a compliment, who has been paid me by Ambassador Sharp. In the days of my youth, a teacher spanked me for not being able to answer the question of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. This I say now that I wish to the Americans for the best. We have got it. It has been given us both a good name and a good reputation. The British Admiralty has up the world's record for speedy construction."

This was the answer of the American ambassador to the common Mr. Schwab, who told the British that the launching of ships in this district, diverted the launching of five from other yards, and then that he longed for many such

days.

Notable among those assisting Mr. Schwab were Charles Ples, vice-president and general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation; Cuthbert Mangham, representing the British Admiralty, and Charles A. Eaton, head of the national service section of the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

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JACK DEMPSEY PUTS OVER ANOTHER ONE.

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JOPLIN (Mo.), July 4.—Jack Dempsey knocked out Bob Devereux here this afternoon in the first round of a scheduled twelve-round fight. Devereux apparently was not in good condition, while Dempsey was hard and fit. A short left hook, landed as the men separated from a clinch, put Devereux down for the count. The fight lasted less than two minutes. The men are heavyweights. Dempsey and his manager left tonight for Atlanta, Ga. Dempsey meets "Porky" Flynn Saturday night.

Aspiration and perspiration. He was on the coaching line at all times, like the Sammies at Chateau Thierry. At half upon the stroke of 12 (noon) Bill had stormed the Killefer trenches and installed himself in first place in the Pacific Coast League race.

REAL FURY.

Coming back with undiminished fury in the second battle he held his early advantage for a spell against the Killefer 78s, but was at last driven back to his home position. After a series of action had died away in the afternoon clash, Bill turned to a friend and grinned. "Gee, but it surely did feel bully to be on top again even if it was only for two hours."

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Strange to relate, Jack Quinn, by many regarded as the best projector in the league, could not maintain the Tigers' winning streak. In effectiveness he had to doff his cap to Dell, Mitchell, Cheek and Raiger.

Vernon scored its only run in the first frame on Alcock's single to center. Chadbourne's force and steal of second and Daley's timely hit to center, scoring Chadbourne.

COME RIGHT BACK.

The Seraphs came right back in their last half of the first with a single to center by Terry. Fittery fanned. Terry singled to center and took third on Fournier's double to left. Crawford sent a sacrifice fly to Chadbourne. Terry scored after Fournier's hit. With the bases full, Bill to Borton. The Angels' winning run was made in the sixth on Fournier's single, Crawford's sacrifice and Ellis' double.

Both men on base, Vernon had to score in the ninth, inning when with Alcock on third and Borton on first and two out, Borton was caught stealing second.

The morning hook up had to be extended into seven innings to produce a winner. Crandall and Cheek were the opposing heavies and both were very generous with their offerings. They located much of the Angels in the beginning of the ninth, but right here Bill Erick sprang one of his famous ruses and tied the score. In the eleventh, the Bengals won out on a single by Hosp. Reiger's sacrifice and

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Our Flag Flutters in Paris and Other Cities.

Avenue du President Wilson Opening Impressive.

President Poincare There and Troops Parade.

(ST ATLANTIC CABLE AND A.P.) PARIS, July 4.—France today is a-flutter with the Stars and Stripes and American Independence Day is being observed as a national fete day. Schools are closed and business is at a standstill. Parades, public meetings and various other kinds of celebrations are being held in all the other important cities of the country.

Parisians are taking the holiday more gaily than any since the beginning of the war. All government offices, banks, the Bourse and thousands of business buildings and private houses are decorated with the American colors.

The music halls are giving special American numbers and in the restaurants American dishes predominate. The day in the capital will be crowded with organized ppb manifestations.

The newspapers are filled with articles and pictures explaining the meaning of the Fourth of July and expressing the admiration and gratitude of France to America.

The notable event of the morning was the ceremony opening the new avenue named after President Wilson. This occurred in the presence of President Poincare and the acclamations of an immense crowd. Speeches were delivered by officials, Paul Deschanel and Stephen Pichon, the Foreign Minister, and William G. Sharp, the American Ambassador.

There were scenes of great enthusiasm between lines of cheering people. Meanwhile airplanes overhead performed feats.

PERSHING TO HAIG.

In a message to Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, commander-in-chief of the British armies in France, Gen. Pershing said:

"My dear Sir Douglas: Independence Day greetings from the British armies in France, extended to you and your command. Your achievements are most deeply appreciated by all ranks of the American forces. The firm unity of purpose, that on the Fourth of July, this year so magnificently binds the great Allied association stands as a new declaration and a new guarantee that the sacred principles of liberty shall not perish but shall be extended to all peoples."

The most earnest good wishes for myself and entire command to you and our brave British brothers in arms, I remain, always in great respect and high esteem,

Yours very sincerely,

"D. HAIG,
Field Marshal."

TO LLOYD GEORGE.

Gen. Pershing today sent the following message to David Lloyd George, the British Premier:

"The American army in France feels great satisfaction in knowing that years is beside it for the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. I have learned with equal pleasure that the people of France are uniting with their brothers and sisters to celebrate the Fourth with unusual brilliancy—uniting for a manifestation of sympathy and international concord, which will remain a memorable date in the history of our two nations."

BY PAPA JOFFRE.

Marshal Joffre, in a special message written for the Echo de Paris on the occasion of the Fourth of July, said in part:

"The entry of America into the war brought the Allies moral strength of the deepest meaning, but the great sister republic did not want to contribute herself with continental manifestations. Thanks to American assistance we shall come out gloriously from the trials of so long a war."

"I am glad to greet you now, not only as friends, but as comrades of the army. I know your enthusiasm in this conflict, for I recall my visit to America, where you displayed your determination to fight to the end."

Marshal Joffre delivered this message at the Independence Day celebration held this evening at the "Soleil" and "Soleil" Club.

The American Ambassador, William G. Sharp, paid a high compliment to the French service and its friendly relations with the American.

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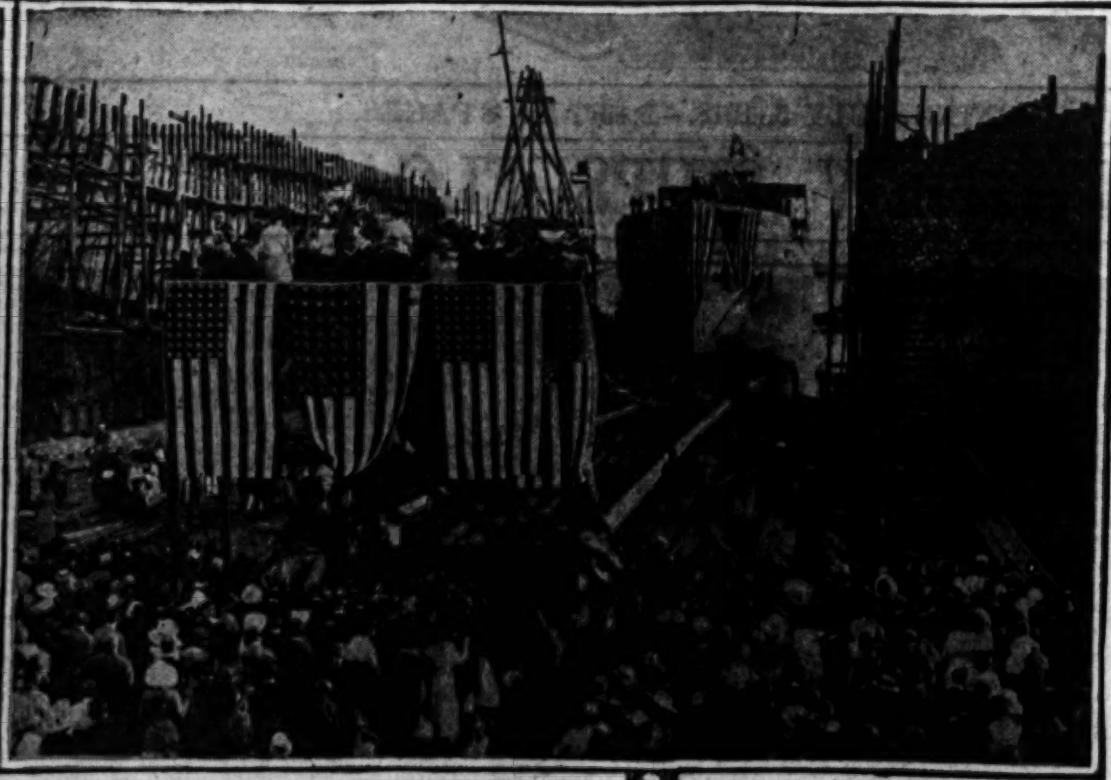
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VAST CROWD WATCHES LAUNCHING OF SHIPS.

Four Vessels Slide from Ways Without the Slightest Hitch While Mighty Throng Cheers Builders.

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of the company, as well as government representatives, officials at Washington and other points, among the many who witnessed the successful consummation of this important feat.

Officers of the company expressed their admiration over the manner in which the three launching operations ended without a single hitch. Considering the vast number of men employed and the extensive character of the heavy work performed, this concern has been fortunate from accidents, and this condition has been the subject of much favorable comment by government representatives and men directly interested in the shipbuilding industry.

WOODEN SHIP LAUNCHED.

Almost simultaneously with the launching of the three steel vessels at San Pedro, the Mono, a Homestead-type wooden cargo ship was launched at the shipyards in the West Basin by the Fulton Shipbuilding Company, in Wilmington.

Several hundred people witnessed this inspiring sight. The launching took place on schedule. Mrs. Charles H. Sharp of No. 2145 Wilshire boulevard, and mother-in-law of E. H. Stevens, president and general manager of the Fulton company, christened the vessel. A bottle of wine, prettily twined with red, white and blue streamers, was lowered from the deck of the boat as a signal and this was broken over the bow of the boat while a square of music and the band played "The Star Spangled Banner." The platform upon which Mrs. Sharp and her attendants stood was a bewitching mass of big, fat, pincushion-like bunches of streamers, as large as to completely cover the speaker's table.

The spectators waited in breathless suspense while brawny shipbuilders drove the keel and spud out the last blocks which surrounded the immense hull, and disengaging cheers arose as the jacks started her gliding down the incline with the roar of sparkling California wine following her out to the Pacific with the briny sponge of the sea.

The Mono is a V-bottom boat of 2,600-ton dead weight capacity.

It is 130 feet long and 35 in breadth, gray. Unloaded it draws 8 feet of water, but with its cargo it will draw twelve feet. It is the third Homestead-type vessel that has been built at the Fulton shipyards. The first was built last May 1, and was christened the Yamah. The second, christened the Catawba, was launched June 11. The Mono followed in the wake of the Catawba, and was launched June 12. The two vessels are now working on two more Homestead-type vessels in the Fulton yards. The hull frames for these are nearly finished. One of these boats will be named Coopoo, and will make its maiden voyage down the coast on the 26th inst. A hull frame for the fifth boat will be laid immediately on the ways from which the Mono glided yesterday.

Five diversions figured conspicuously in the launching of the Mono. Allied flags were everywhere in evidence, and patriotic music was provided by the Fulton shipyard band and twenty pipers. President E. H. Stevens, a patriotic address just prior to the beginning of the launching ceremonies.

BY MR. HARDY.

"It is a great day, one of the greatest, if not the greatest, of all time," he said. "It is not alone the birthday of America, but has come to be recognized by the free peoples of the world as their great birthday, too. Today, France and Italy in the old world are celebrating this day under recent legislative enactments, and several of our sister republics in the south have nations of their own, like Mexico and freedom. [Applause.]

"We have never had an easier or more complete opportunity to show the world that we are with the Kaiser and his kultur, or we are with Washington, Lincoln, Wilson and humanity. Our thoughts, our words, our deeds give the only answer. [Applause.]

This was simply a semi-official

The launching of the Mono (top) at the Fulton shipyards at the Harbor yesterday. At the left is Mrs. Charles H. Sharp in the act of breaking the ribbon-bound bottle of champagne across her bow. Below is the West Grana as she appeared immediately after her launching.

SANEST FOURTH WAS YESTERDAY.

Four "Drunks" Power Auto Accidents and Only One Boy Reported Hurt.

Los Angeles experienced its safest and safest Fourth of July yesterday. Reports from the Receiving Hospital and the booking desk at police headquarters showed a decided decrease in the number of accidents, drunks and disturbances of the peace compared with other years.

But one case directly traceable to fireworks was reported to the Receiving Hospital, this being of a boy who lost the tip of his right index finger when a cap pistol exploded.

Several auto accidents were reported, but the number did not exceed that usually reported on any Sunday. Drunk cases totaled twenty-eight. Independence Day in 1917 resulted in fifty-two "drunks" being booked.

KEELS LAID.

Immediately after the ships were clear of the ways, at the Los Angeles Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company and the Fulton shipyards, keels for new vessels were lowered into place on the ways. These keels were suspended by large cables over the ships awaiting their movement to the water. The keels were laid in the positions where they become the beginnings of other vessels for Uncle Sam, as a part of the programme for "ships for victory," but the new keels were laid at the Fulton shipyard, and three at the Los Angeles Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company yard. This morning active work will begin on each of these ways, and the new ships will be laid in the ways in which they will be made in their construction. The steel ships will be the West Arvada, the West Cajon, and the West Cono.

The new Southern Shipbuilding Company celebrated the day by laying the keel for the first of their vessels—an 8,600-ton steel ship of the standard type. The new company is to build ten of these vessels at its yards on Terminal Avenue, the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

It now employs 500 men, and will have 6,000 on its pay roll shortly.

ON TRIAL TRIP.

Earlier in the day officers of the Los Angeles Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company and a company of sailors from the vessel were on board the Wampanum, which was launched on March 10, and it made its trial trip. The trip was down the Inner Harbor, a sweep around the Outer Harbor, and then into the channel. The trial was declared to be successful.

DISAPPEARS.

Eleven-year-old Santa Monica Girl Thought to Have Been Drowned.

BERKELEY DISPATCH.

SANTA MONICA, July 4.—Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McClure, No. 1142 Second street, this city, are frantic with grief over the sudden and mysterious disappearance of their 11-year-old daughter, Helen, this afternoon.

The child was out on the beach, some distance below the municipal pier, with a sister. The attention of the latter was drawn away for a few moments, and when she turned to look after her, charge, the child was missing. The child was sickly, and the belief is that she was caught by a wave and carried out unnoticed into the ocean. The life-saving crew was summoned and began a search, but no trace of the girl has been re-

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SURGING AHEAD.

Almost from the beginning the shipbuilding industry of Los Angeles has been marked by record-making features. Under the terms made with the city the shipbuilding company was to receive a payment of another link in the chain of bonds to the allies of freedom 'over there' the empacement of another unit in the bridge that spans the Atlantic Ocean. Today the building of ships to freedom's great need. The building of ships is an act of patriotism; and because of intense spirit of patriotic devotion sweeping over the country, from shore to shore, uniting our people as they've never been united in our history, we are happy to report that progress in shipbuilding is nothing less than amazing, and still the tide is rising.

FIRST BIG COMPANY.

The Los Angeles Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company was organized in the early part of 1917, with its capital stock placed at \$1,800,000. Its officers and directors are Fred L. Baker, president and general manager; J. F. Sartori, president of the Security National Bank; Stoddard Jess, president of the First National Bank, and Dan Murphy, manager director.

Other stockholders at the time of organization were Paul Shoup, president of the Pacific Electric Railway;

A. J. Walker of the Citizens National Bank, W. L. Hollingsworth, W. B. Sartori, president of the Colonial Oil Company; J. O. Koeppl, president of Bishop & Co., and O. F. Brant, vice-president of the Title Insurance and Trust Company.

In May of last year came the interesting announcement that the Federal Shipping Board had signed a contract with the Los Angeles Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company for the construction of two small vessels. Blockade runners, each to carry 2,000 tons dead weight of cargo. The contract called for the delivery of the first vessel by the close of 1918. This was the first contract for ship construction under the administration's shipping program.

CONSTANT ACTIVITY.

At that time it was planned to leave the ways at this plant with the Taconic, now 4,200 tons dead weight capacity, 420 feet in length and fifty-six in width. It was laid down in April of this year. The Taconic squared the record of the first vessel in the time of its construction, going into the water sixty days after the laying of the keel. The ship was built by Miss Bernardine Murphy, daughter of Dan Murphy of this city. Immediately after the launching the hull was turned over to the government for the government was laid.

OTHER SHIPS LAUNCHED.

The third ship, the Wampanum, made its initial trip to the sea on April 10. It is of the same type as the other two, and not yet started, but within two weeks thereafter, active work was in progress dredging the channel and building up the ways for the Wampanum. Soon thereafter the structures began to rise. From that time forward this spot has been the scene of constant activities.

The fourth ship, the West Grana, was launched from the city of Los Angeles, and it is located on the southern shores of the West Basin of the Inner Harbor, on the site of the old waterfront wharves. This site was selected after many others had been inspected and studied by corps of shipbuilders and consulting engineers. It was chosen because of its spaciousness and the location of a great dry dock.

Before the buildings were completed, a great force of skilled artisans and directors of the company were assembled to inspect and determine the location of a great dry dock.

The fifth ship, steamship to be named the West Grana, was laid down the ways on May 25 at 9:45 a.m.

DISAPPEARS.

The vessel started down the channel of the inner harbor wharves at 9:45 a.m. and was soon out in the bay called out their welcome to their new home. The West Grana, the wharves and on the hills all along the way, and great waves of applause and cheering followed the passing ship. As the naval training school was at the water's edge to salute the Wampanum on its maiden trip.

This was simply a semi-official

LAURENCE RECORD.

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LOSSES HIGH OVER.

This shipyard now has 9,000 men in its employ, and it expects to have fully 12,000 employed within the next few months. The cost of doing business is over \$50,000 a day, and every section of the city is affected. This is the effect of these disbursements. This company has the contract for thirty government ships.

Then the Fulton shipbuilding plant has a corps of more than 500 men, and the Ralph J. Chandler Company, the shipbuilding company, is to be the largest in the country. The Southwestern Shipbuilding Company, just completing its yard on the easterly side of the Los Angeles Harbor, already has several thousand men at work. It has the contract for

BARKER BROS. Suggest These Tireless Servants to Save You Time, Energy, Labor, Waste and to Promote Efficiency.

The making of clothes, the preparation of food and the prevention of food spoilage or waste are very important phases of general household routine. What less to do with in the way of materials is all the more essential that you employ such help as will accomplish the desired purpose in the most efficient manner. Barker Bros. suggest these tireless servants.

Sew the New Way With THE WESTERN ELECTRIC PORTABLE SEWING MACHINE

Wouldn't it help you to sew often and much more easily if you could carry your machine downstairs, sew with it out on the porch in summer, carry it to your neighbor's to sew with her, or take it with you to the Red Cross? The Western Electric Portable is a full size sewing machine which with cover and all weights less than a packed suitcase. Just attach the plug to any light socket, press your foot on the control and let electricity run your machine as long as you want to sew. No tedium of pedaling. A cent's worth of electricity runs it three hours.

The Leonard Cleanable Refrigerator Saves Space and Prevents Food Waste

It carefully worked out construction allows perfect circulation of air through every part. Its ten walls and polar fast freezing keep the cold air in and the heat out. There is no wood or metal required to make the refrigerator and the doors are practically self-closing and have air-tight locks. There are no cracks or crevices for dirt or germs for the lining is made of one-piece real porcelain, fused on Armoa rust-resisting iron. The famous make that is "as easy to clean as a china dish."

With the McDougall Cabinet You Can Do Your Kitchen Work in Half the Usual Time

This Cabinet affords a compact place for almost everything used in the kitchen. It is conducive to the economic conserving of food and will save many steps daily. Its parts are removable and easy to clean. It is a veritable method of better kitchen arrangement. You will be glad of its helpfulness. Let us show you the McDougall and explain its many wonderful features.

Convenient Terms of Payment on Any of the Above Articles.

Barker Bros. Household Efficiency Dept. 724 to 738 South Broadway. Mezzanine Floor.

Great Future.

END OF WAR WILL NOT CHECK SHIPBUILDING

Work in Sight at Harbor for Next Two Years—Local Record will be a Big Boost for this City.

WHAT does the shipbuilding industry of Los Angeles mean to the city of Los Angeles? This question was raised by the managers and the directors of the Los Angeles Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company for the construction of ten merchant vessels, to be completed in 1919.

Each of these ten vessels is to be a duplicate of the eight provided for in the original contract with cargo of 8,000 tons dead weight, and the entire lot is to be completed within two years.

The remarkable expedition with which the shipbuilding industry has been made in this country will be permanent here, and that even though there are no immediate plans for a new industry locally, the shipbuilding industry will be a great factor in the reconstruction of the city.

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MISTER DOODLE.

BY L. FRANK BAUM.
Now once there was a funny man. His name was Mister Doodle; His hair was just as fuzzy as the fur upon a poodle; And whiskers grew upon his chin. His eyes were bright and merry. His form was lean and long and thin. His nose was brown and curly.

And Mister Doodle bought a nag. And it was old and bony; But just because 'twas small in size, He called the nag a pony. The beast could walk, and gallop, And amble—rather queerly; And Doodle rode upon its back And loved the pony dearly.

Now Doodle lived in Lexington. And so they called him "Tubby." The pony they called "Rattibbles." Because it was so lanky. And yet the beast was very wise. For Yankees Doodle taught him. He knew so many tricks that folks A circus pony thought him.

When Mister Doodle came to town And followed just like the dandies. People called the "macaroni." He'd make his pony upright stand And walk so very neatly And make a bow so dignified It won all hearts completely.

This pony shook hands with friends. And sometimes wore a cap, sir; And when this master said, "Lie down and take a nap, sir. He'd jump a fence or say his pray. Or roll completely over; He had a stable nice and warm And lots of oats and clover.

With children he was very kind. And loved to have them pet him. So not a child who knew him could In after years forget him. They fed him apples by the peck And shades of Juicy green; And just to pat his forehead was Delight for lads and lasses.

I cannot say how long it was. This pony lived to frolic, Or whether of old age he died. Or gout or mumps or colic; But he became so famous that All Yankees folks agree His deeds will live forever In his country's history.

And Yankees Doodle's famous, too. Because he owned the pony. They made a song about him. And the hat that was his crown. In his hat he wore a feather. So thereafter—think of that!—Each man of fame was said to have A feather in his hat.

PEN POINTS.
BY THE STAFF.

Wirtzio Ben Tilden has shed his pitcher.

Queen Wilhelmina's Cabinet is resigning. Doesn't that best fit Dutch?

Why limit the arrests for violation of the "work or fight" order to the "camps"? Are they the only offenders?

Mr. Grouch hasn't a word to say about the Los Angeles brand weather. We strive to please.

Industry has been completely paralyzed in Persia by the war, but the usual supply of Persian rugs will still come from Paterson, N. J.

The civilized world yesterday celebrated the Fourth of July. However, you don't heroes, and such like, you that made such a spectacle possible.

Vincent Astor has been advanced to the rank of Captain, just grade. He hopes to soon get a where the salary will be sufficient to support his family.

It is announced that we are months ahead in our programme sending American troops overseas. Well, that balances up our share in the airplane line.

We are asked to eat fish instead, but we do not suppose it refers to German carp. They not fish; they are an abomination, besides, the name is not patriotic.

Francis Jeremiah Healey is making a speaking tour of California. Thomas Lee Woolwine is coming the northern section of the State votes. Both possibly need the cuse.

President Wilson is to be honored with the new degree of doctor of laws from the University of Paris. This will be honor enough, and he will hardly seek a third nomination.

Reports are that the temple of Pharaoh has been exhausted in the next thing we know archaeologists will be digging out a section of the pyramids where the body of Moses was found.

A prominent Los Angeles citizen has shied his new summer hat in the ring for a State Assembly nomination. If elected, we would like to see some more man make point of order on her.

The London Board of Trade adopted by a unanimous vote a resolution not to, do any trading Germany for ten years after close of the war. That action hit the Kaiser where it hurts.

America is now showing the what she can accomplish in the building line when she gets started, and the Pacific Coast is the best example in turning out sets of large and small tonnage. Glory be!

Fifty million dollars a day is sum spent by the United States in the prosecution of the war. It used to be that one billion dollars covered the entire "consolidated" appropriations for two months. We are getting on.

Uncle Joe Cannon is in the for another term in Congress. has been successful in every campaign in the Danville district 1872, except in 1890 and 1906. gross without "Uncle Joe" would like the White House without Edward Mandell House.

Patriotic.
GIVE FIRST
PROGRAMME

Cross Shop Activities are to be Extended.

City Unites in Plan to further the Work.

Department Store Jell to Blaze the Way.

OLIVE GRAY.

Shows a vital center of patriotic interest, the Red Cross Shop, at Alvarado and Alvarado streets, is even more interesting than ever. The series of the preparations to be given there by the Red Cross is the idea of being a center for the transmittal of voluntary offerings, long ago proved a capable and so practical an idea that public recognition has been given to it. Those wishing to give, and not knowing exactly how to go about it, will find here a means, in black standard set as to the Red Cross, to have their address.

Millinery, needlework—representing the deftness of the expert—have rendered the a practical avenue of employment. So has been the manner

protecting the place, that many in his stores have recognized

and ability shown there and

along many lines. The

of such recognition is

in the movement entered

the employees of department stores to contribute to the Saturday afternoon

During July and August.

First of these programmes is that given by employers of

handy Department Store to

the Red Cross.

addition to the twenty-two

where merchandise will be

all proceeds going to swell

the Red Cross via

the features as the big Liberty

money dancing, a wonderful

and sports unusual and fac-

will also be a high-class

programme, as follows:

Spangled Banner, band

staging by the address of

Mr. L. Cole; address of

Mr. Jack Anderson of the

Pat's Regiment; Senior

Spanish tenor; High

Admission: Fowles; Mine. Ed.

Dreyfus, contralto; Span-

ning, Viola Yorba and Ernest

Marie Aldrich

entertainment.

Do Your Important Shopping Friday
Reserving Saturday morning for the little necessities that can be selected in a short time.

Best in Dry Goods Since 1878

Coulter's Dry Goods Co.
Founded in 1878
Seventh Street at Olive

Oldest Dry Goods Store in Los Angeles

Beginning July 6th the store will close at 1 o'clock each Saturday until September, giving our employees the half holiday once a week during the warmer weather. Remember Friday is the last eight-hour shopping day this week.

Our 17th July Blanket Sale

Millinery

Trimmed Hats $\frac{1}{2}$ Price and Less

Special Reductions on All Summer Hats

A hat for everyone and at their own particular price and for all occasions, whether sports, street or dress affairs.

Special

\$12.50 Hats now \$3.50
\$15.00 Hats now \$5.00
\$20.00 Hats now \$7.50

You may be sure to find just the very one you wish among the wide range of styles shown.



These hats are marked to sell for just half and many less than half of their former prices.

Women's Bags and Envelope Purses \$3.50

In all the desirable leathers, Pin Seal, Matt Seal, Crepe Seal, Vachette in colors. Coin purse and mirror are included. A large selection to choose from.

New Service Bags \$2.50

The latest thing for your knitting or for shopping. In black and red, brown, tan, khaki, purple and blue. Miniature sizes for knitting. Included are mirror and coin purse.

CLUB MEMBERS OFF TO CONVENTION.

GUARD FOR SAN FRANCISCO FILES TEN AUTOS. MORE GO TODAY.

Formerly Priced to \$1.00; Now 49c

Collars, collar and cuff sets and vestees. Wonderful values among them, although some are slightly soiled, so we are offering them at this small price. Some formerly priced up to \$2 now 95c. Exceptional values in beautiful collars, cuffs and collar sets, vestees and guimpes, although not a large quantity.

Big Remnant Sale
Of Georgette and chiffon, also embroidery and laces—Friday and Saturday only.

Dotted Nets Half Price
Dotted nets in colors of royal, rose, sky, pink, flesh, black and ivory, 40 inches wide.

Regularly Priced \$1.50, Now 75c a Yard

Ribbons 30c a Yard

Hairbow ribbon, worth much more; 5 1/4 inches wide; a lovely assortment to select from. All the dainty colors and the ever popular medium and dark shades.

Men's and Boys' Bathing Suits

In all colors and sizes, ranging from \$2.50 to \$10

Men's Athletic Union Suits \$1.00 to \$5.00

Men's Interwoven Hose 40c a Pair
Including all shades.

Royal Americans Organize Fourth to Further Cause of Nation at War.

The primary purpose of "the chosen bond of union Americans" is to work in aid of the Red Cross, a new patriotic organization in this city under the name of the United States Patriotic Association. Above forty charter members, the of the organization, prides itself.

Dion, R. G. Lerner, Hamilton, temporary pres. E. Dion and E. M. Small.

The intention of the society is to have headquarters at once, a initial public meeting, to apply for a charter.

Our Popular Blanket Sale Is Going On

For seventeen years we have had a blanket sale in July and this year of all years it has taken a great deal of assurance on our part to inaugurate our regular sale. However, since our patrons have grown accustomed to look forward to this event we could not disappoint them, so this "service" has been extended again.

Blankets are not the only thing on which one may save, for Comforts, Pillows, Mattresses, Springs, Bedsteads, Furniture will be sold at reduced prices.

St. Mary's Blankets are included—\$4.25 to \$13.75 each.

Also Plaid Blankets in many of the desired color combinations, in wool and wool finish.

Plaids; wool and wool finish; full size.
\$4.25 \$3.85 \$4.75 \$4.10 \$5.00 \$4.10 \$7.50 \$6.00
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White; wool and wool finish; full size.
\$5.00 \$4.10 \$7.50 \$6.00
\$8.50 \$7.75 \$9.00 \$7.90
\$10.00 \$8.80 \$16.50 \$15.00 \$11.75
\$15.00 \$11.75 \$16.50 \$13.75

Similar reductions prevail upon all the higher-priced blankets.

Gray Blankets

Gray; wool and wool finish; full size:

\$6.50 \$5.25 \$8.00 \$2.75
\$7.50 \$6.00 \$4.00 \$3.65
\$8.00 \$6.90 \$6.50 \$5.75
\$10.00 \$8.90 \$10.00 \$8.75
\$12.50 \$10.00 \$12.50 \$10.75

These are only a few of the special reductions.

Each day you will find added attractions in this department.

Fancy White Voiles

Stripes, Checks, Plaids, Suitable for Frocks and Blouses

All white, new and fresh this season.
Formerly 35c, now 29c Formerly 75c, now 59c
Formerly 50c, now 39c Formerly \$1, now 85c
Formerly 65c, now 49c Formerly \$1, now 85c

Nainsook for Fine Hand Work
Sheer and regular weight, width 30 in. to 44 in.
25c, specially priced 22 1/4 50c, specially priced 45c
35c, specially priced 30c 60c, specially priced 55c
65c, specially priced 60c

The 36 inch good sheer nainsook in 12 yard bolts, regularly priced 35c a yard, specially priced 27 1/2c a yard, or 3 a bolt. Excellent for dainty combinations or undermuslin.

Fancy silk mixed shirtings and waistings, white with woven colored stripes, reg. 65c, now 60c.

Good Looking Summer Blouses for \$2.50

Included are voiles and batistes. Some with tucks and a bit of hand embroidery, others more elaborately trimmed with lace and embroidery.

—Of dimity—plain tailored.
—Of linen with colored collars and cuffs or of voile in colored stripes.

"Conservation" Dresses \$3.50

In white—also nurses' uniforms with low neck and short sleeves. Others with high neck and long sleeves.

36 in. Novelty Satins, formerly \$1.50, now \$1.35
32 in. Plain and Brocade Venetian, formerly 85c, now 75c
35 in. Abeco Silk, formerly \$1, now 85c

Linings

56 in. Crepe de Chine in all colors including white, flesh and black. Formerly \$1.50, now \$1.25

40 in. Crepe Chinois, a heavy silk crepe in splendid color range. Specially priced at \$2.95

Heavy Suiting Silks, natural and oyster white. 52 in., formerly \$4.00, now \$2.95

